ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An instrument and method are provided for incising an intraocular tissue, such as the anterior capsule of the eye, which requires only a small wound cut in the corneal or scleral tissue. The instrument includes a handle and a head portion attached to the handle, the head portion including spaced first and second ends which define an opening therebetween. The head portion further includes a cutting edge which is operable to engage the intraocular tissue and penetrate at least partially therethrough to create a first incision therein. Creating a second incision in the intraocular tissue adjacent the first incision results in a continuous tissue flap incised in the intraocular tissue.